



U.S. Department of Energy
Office of River Protection

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Mr. R. F. Naventi, Project Manager
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Dear Mr. Naventi:

CONTRACT NO. DE-AC27-01RV14136 – RESPONSE TO BECHTEL NATIONAL, INC. (BNI)
PLANS TO ELIMINATE INCONSISTENCIES BETWEEN THE AUTHORIZATION BASIS AND
DESIGN MEDIA

Reference: BNI letter from R. F. Naventi to R. J. Schepens, ORP, "Authorization Basis Consistency
with the Evolving Design," CCN 045029, dated November 14, 2002.

The U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection (ORP) has reviewed the subject letter and
finds appropriate the detailed descriptions of corrective actions that have been completed, are in progress,
or are planned to eliminate the inconsistencies between the authorization basis and design media.

An Authorization Basis Maintenance Inspection will be conducted at your facilities on January 6 through
10, 2003. A major focus of this inspection will be to review the progress of implementation and
effectiveness of your corrective actions as described in the Reference.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may call Walter J. Pasciak, WTP Safety
Regulation Division, (509) 373-9189.

Sincerely,

Roy J. Schepens
Manager

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